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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, SHUM, SF

SUBJECT: FORMER DETAINEE LEAPETSWE MOLOTSANE

REF: PRETORIA 1013

1. MOLOTSANE FINALLY CONTACTED EMBOFF ON MARCH 29, OVER A MONTH AFTER HIS RELEASE. MOLOTSANE WAS IN GOOD HEALTH AND SPIRITS. HE SAID THT HE WAS PRESENTLY READING FOR HIS MATRIC EXAMS WHICH HE WOULD TAKE IN JUNE. MOLOTSANE SAID HE HAD BEEN IN TOUCH WITHHIS MOTHER, MRS. DOROTHY MATHAPO, WHO WANTED HIM TO JOIN HER IN THE U.S. HE SAID THAT HE WOULD AT PRESENT STAY AND FINISH HIS SCHOOLING.

2. ON HIS DETENTION, MOLOTSANE SAID HE HAD NOT BEEN WELL TREATED. AT ONE POINT HE WAS BEATEN AND KICKED SO HARD THAT HE HAD TO BE TAKEN TO THE DISTRICT SURGEON FOR TREATMENT. HE SAID HE HAD BEEN ALLOWED NO VISITS. UPON HIS RELEASE, MOLOTSANE SAID THE SECURITY POLICE HAD OFFERED HIM MONEY AND ASKED HIM TO REPORT PERIODICALLY ON THE SITUATION IN ATTERIDGEVILLE. HE SAID HE REFUSED BOTH AND, THEREFORE, FELT IT POSSIBLE, IF RENEWED TROUBLE BROKE OUT IN THE TOWNSHIPS, THAT HE MIGHT CONFIDENTIAL

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BE ARRESTED AGAIN. AT PRESENT, HE SAID, THE TOWNSHIP WAS QUIET AND HE HAD NOT BEEN BOTHERED. BOWDLER

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